

## The City of Hopewell, Virginia

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## MEDIA RELEASE

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## \*\*Arrest Made of Two Hopewell Wanted Fugitives \*\*

**[Hopewell, VA] –** <u>UPDATE</u> - On Monday, March 2, 2020, members of the U.S. Marshals Regional Fugitive Task Force along with assistance from The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) Richmond Field Office arrested Mr. Tijuan Lamar Phillips and Mr. Markel Trevon Smith without incident in the City of Petersburg. Mr. Phillips and Mr. Smith were transported to Riverside Regional Jail.

"The U.S Marshal's Regional Fugitive Task Force and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) have again proven to be an extremely valuable partners in locating, apprehending and removing violent fugitives from our streets", said Criminal Investigation Unit (CIU) Detective Lieutenant Michael Langford.

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The Hopewell Police Department is seeking assistance from the public in locating two individuals considered armed and dangerous. Tijuan Lamar Phillips, 19 years old and Markel Trevon Smith, 20 years old from Hopewell. Mr. Tijuan Lamar Phillips and Mr. Markel Trevon Smith are currently wanted by the Hopewell Police Department in connection with a residential burglary. Active warrants are on file for Burglary and Grand Larceny for both.

The Hopewell Police Department is requesting that any person(s) who may have information regarding the fugitives or have any information to provide on any other wanted person or crime, to contact the Hopewell Police Department at (804) 541-2222. Persons with information on this crime and who wish to remain anonymous may contact the Hopewell Prince George Crimesolvers hotline in Hopewell at (804) 541-2202 or provide their tip using the P3tips mobile app.



Tijuan Lamar Phillips



**Markel Trevon Smith** 

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